

**MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF SEAT PLEASANT  
PUBLIC SESSION  
MONDAY, JANUARY 11, 2010  
7:00P.M.**

**1. OPENING**

**1.1.1 Call to Order**

Council President Gatling called the meeting to order at 7:08p.m.

**1.1.2 Roll Call**

Present: Councilmember Latasha Gatling, Mayor Eugene Grant (EXCUSED.), Councilmember Darrell Hardy (EXCUSED), Councilmember Kelly Porter, Councilmember Gerald R. Raynor, Sr.(EXCUSED), Councilmember Elenora Simms, Councilmember Reveral Yeargin

Staff: Robert Ashton, Acting City Administrator, Dashaun Lanham, City Clerk, Tim McNeill, Assistant to the Mayor, Leroy Patterson, Sgt. of Police Department, Samuel Prue, Chief of Police, and Johnny Thompson, Director of Public Works

**1.1.3 Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance:**

The invocation was given by Councilman Yeargin

**1.1.4. Approval of Agenda**

- It was motioned by Councilmember Simms and seconded by Councilmember Porter to approve the agenda. The motion carried.

**2. PRESENTATIONS:**

- None

**3. LEGISLATION:**

- Ordinance 10-03 FY2009-2010 Budget Amendment, introduced on Monday, December 14, 2009 the first reading was declared. Council President Gatling stated that the second reading will be held in the February 8, 2010 Public Session due to the Charter requiring 2/3<sup>rd</sup> votes, which is five councilmember's.

- Resolution 10-12 To Support and Endorse Bond Bill for Senate, the Resolution was introduced by the City Council on Monday, January 11, 2010. It was motioned by Councilmember Yeargin and seconded by Councilmember Porter to approve Resolution 10-12. The motion carried.

FOR: Gatling, Porter, Simms and Yeargin

AGAINST: None

ABSTAIN: None

- Resolution 10-13 To Support and Endorse Bond Bill for State, the Resolution was introduced by the City Council on Monday, January 11, 2010. It was motioned by Councilmember Porter and seconded by Councilmember Simms to approve Resolution 10-13. The motion carried

FOR: Gatling, Porter, Simms and Yeargin

AGAINST: None

ABSTAIN: None

#### **4. REPORTS:**

##### **4.1 Mayor's Report- Eugene W. Grant, Mayor**

- Mayor Grant had an emergency and will not be present in the meeting.

##### **4.2. Council President Report-LaTasha C. Gatling, Council President**

- The Council President report was read silently.

##### **4.3. Seat Pleasant Volunteer Fire Department Report-Dave McGill, Chief**

- The Fire Department had their annual meeting, and was unable to attend.

##### **4.4 City Administrator's Report-Robert Ashton, (Acting)**

- **Feggans Center**-Mr. Ashton stated that the residents should send a letter of support to their legislator on the Bond Bills.
- **Police Communication System**- Mr. Ashton reported that the grant was submitted under the Governor's Office of Crime Control Prevention. Lt. Governor Anthony Brown will be having a Press Conference on January 21, 2010 at 10:00a.m., at 5004 Queensbury Road, Riverdale, MD.

##### **4.5. Code Enforcement-Tiara Andrews, Code Enforcement Officer-Absent written report (See Attached)**

#### **4.6 Finance Department – Robert Ashton, City Treasurer**

- **Finance-** Mr. Ashton stated Dual Tax System leave your land vacant. We can come up with a dual tax system modification.

#### **4.7 Police Department –Samuel Prue, Chief of Police**

- Sgt. Patterson reported that the Seat Pleasant Police Department has ten (10) officers working with two (2) on light duties.
- Sgt. Patterson stated that the Police cars will have computers installed, and reports will be typed in the cars.

#### **4.8 Public Works-Johnny Thompson, Director of Public Works**

- Mr. Thompson read the memorandum regarding the snow removal during the December 2009 snow storm.

### **5. NEW BUSINESS:**

#### **5.1 Citizen Comment**

Koko Barnes, Seat Pleasant, MD-Ms. Barnes reported that the property that was purchased with the partnership between the City of Seat Pleasant and Seat Pleasant Community Development Corporation is slated for settlement this month. The Energy Audit applications are on the table.

Pamela Boone, Seat Pleasant, MD-Mrs. Boone stated that she was glad to see the Resolutions for the Feggans Center. Happy the City went both ways for the Bond Bill, and she really hopes we get something. Neighborhood Watch, if interested to get started, please let them know. District III (3) Advisory Council attended hearing on liquor license for the LePearl, and they have had fifteen (15) incidents and one (1) homicide

James Wright, Seat Pleasant, MD-Mr. Wright reported that the Citizens Association meeting will be on January 19, 2010 at the Seat Pleasant Activity Center. They will be having candidate forms given to the residents, so they will have the opportunity to ask questions and know who will be running for office. He wanted to encourage the Council to have creative ways to recognize the officers. He thanked the Mayor and City Council on the work for the Feggans Center.

Jacqui Battle, Seat Pleasant, MD-Ms. Battle stated that she wanted to commend Sgt. Patterson on the miraculous job in running the Police Department. The Public

Works staff is doing an excellent job, as well. She thanked the City Council, as they have been on the ball this year.

**6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- None

**7. NEW BUSINESS**

- None

**8. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**8.1** Maryland General Assembly Legislative Opening Session, Annapolis, MD, Wednesday, January 13, 2010.

**8.2** Bowie Town Medical Practice-FREE Health Clinic, Saturday, January 16, 2010 from 9:00a.m.-3:00p.m. for uninsured & underinsured. Please call to see the doctor at 301-249-8100, 3030 Mitchellville Rd, Suite 103, Bowie, MD 20716

**ADJOURN**-It was motioned by Councilmember Simms and seconded by Councilmember Porter to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:07p.m.

Submitted by,

Dashaun N. Lanham  
City Clerk